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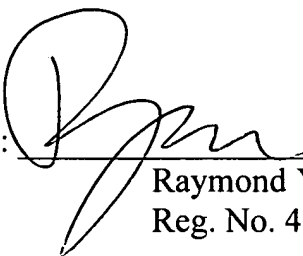
The partial initialization and return of Form PTO/SB/08a filed November 14, 2007 is noted with appreciation. However, the reference "Office Action mailed October 18, 2007 in corresponding Japanese Application No. 2003-289869 with English-language translation" cited on the Form PTO/SB/08a was lined-through by the Examiner. No reason was provided for this reference being lined-through. Applicant requests that the Examiner fully initial and return the Form PTO/SB/08a after considering this reference. Applicant submits that this reference (which includes an English-language translation) is proper material for consideration by the Examiner. Indeed, numerous other communications from foreign patent offices in foreign counterpart applications have been initialed as being considered in this very application. For the Examiner's convenience, Applicant has enclosed a fresh copy of the Form PTO/SB/08a that lists the above-noted

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reference. This reference has already been properly filed in the USPTO and is currently available in the USPTO PAIR system under the above-identified application.

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